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Serial No.: 10/042,068	)    Examiner:  Le, Dang D )
Filing Date: 01/08/2002	) Group Art Unit 2834
For: THIN INNER ROTOR MOTOR FOR ROTATABLY DRIVING MEDIUM, AND DISK APPARATUS USING THE SAME	) ) )

## **AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

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